WAYNE COUNTY FISCAL COURT MINUTES

FEBRUARY 14, 2008

6:00 PM

Wayne County Fiscal Court was called to order by Wayne County Judge Executive, Greg Rankin with all Magistrates present. Mr. David Frost led the Fiscal Court and visitors in prayer.

MINUTES

Motion made by Dale Vaughn and seconded by Richard Munsey to approve the January 10, 2008, January 17, 2008 and January 23, 2008 minutes. All voted in favor.

VISITORS

WORLDWIDE EQUIPMENT

Jim Dotson of Worldwide Equipment addressed the court concerning the purchase of a new truck through Worldwide Equipment. Motion made by Darrell Dishman and seconded by Dale Vaughn to approve the purchase of a truck through Worldwide Equipment sale price of \$103,000.00 with a guarantee of 91% purchase price of the used vehicle. All voted in favor.

ROAD PROJECTS

Bruce Neely, District Maintenance Engineer with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, presented road improvement recommendations for rural secondary roads in Wayne County. Mr. Neely stated that \$1,315,302.00 had been allotted for Wayne County for road improvements and maintenance. Maintenance for 169 miles of roads will cost \$634,962.00 and \$680,340.00 for resurfacing Ky 761 2.473 miles, Ky 1765 1.045 miles, Ky 1009 3.2 miles, and Ky 1275 3.786 miles.

RESCUE SQUAD

David Frost of the Rescue Squad addressed the court concerning the purchase of heavier equipment to use to extract people for \$3000.00 and \$1000.00 for the repairs for a boat to be able to use sonar scan system. Judge Executive Greg Rankin suggested to Mr. Frost to bring a list of prices and what actually needs to be purchased to the court so they can see what can be done. Mr. Vaughn stated that everyone wants to help the Rescue Squad. Mr. Bell stated he supported the Rescue Squad 100% and the court needed to help the Rescue Squad all that they could. Motion was made by Darrell Dishman and seconded by Dale Vaughn to approve giving the Rescue Squad \$1000.00 for the repairs for the boat. All voted in favor.

WATER PROJECT

Mr. Gene Jones of the Monticello Utility Commission gave an update to the court concerning the abandon mine project. He stated the project was almost finished. He stated that the Mill Springs raw water intake was 80% complete. He stated that a down town project was soon to be started and it would take approximately nine months to complete the job. He stated that water and sewer lines would be replaced and that Conley Gregory Construction would be doing the project.

SOUTHWOOD OF BLUE WATER HEIGHTS

Ms. Karen Southwood addressed the court concerning changing the name of a road from the Denney Ridge Road to the David Southwood Rd. Judge Executive, Greg Rankin stated that the court does not have the authority to change any names for private roads. He stated the 911 board will have the authority to name all private roads. Mr. Rankin stated nothing was official with the name changes with the 911 mapping. Mr. Danny Bell stated even though the court was not allowed to name private roads then why were they even on there list. Mr. Tobbe stated that was what the 911 mappers had done. Mr. Bell stated that at last month's meeting the court did not know anything about the private roads and at that time Mr. Tobbe did not know the law concerning private roads. Mr. Bell stated that he believed whoever holds the deed to the road should have the say to name the road. Mr. Munsey questioned if the road crossed over any other private land owners. Ms. Southwood stated that she had maintained the road and that it did not cross over any other private land owners. Ms. Southwood stated she had changed the colors of the signs so the roads could be distinguished between county and private roads. Mr. Tobbe stated that road signs had been stolen and that this is a crime and anyone who gets caught stealing a sign would be prosecuted and could serve up to a year in a jail. Mr. Tobbe stated that stealing signs is not a prank.

FEE OFFICE 2007 AMENDMENTS AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Motion made by Darrell Dishman and seconded by Danny Bell to approve the Wayne County Sheriff Final Budget Amendments for Calendar Year 2007. All voted in favor. See attached copy.

Motion made Danny Bell and seconded by Richard Munsey to approve the Wayne County Sheriff Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Excess Fees for Calendar Year 2007. All voted in favor. See attached copy.

CLERK'S OFFICE

Motion made by Dale Vaughn and seconded by Danny Bell to approve the Wayne County Clerk's Budget Amendments for Calendar Year 2007. All voted in favor. See attached copy.

Motion made by Richard Munsey and seconded by Dale Vaughn to approve the Wayne County Clerk's Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Excess Fees for Calendar Year 2007. All voted in favor. See attached copy.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

CEMETARY BOARD

Motion made by Darrell Dishman and seconded by Dale Vaughn to appoint Bob Hayden (1year) Joyce Munsey (2year) Gordon Hicks (3year) Gene Guinn (4year) and Kay Allen (4year) to the Cemetary Board. Darrell Dishman, Dale Vaughn and Richard Munsey voted in favor. Danny Bell opposed. Motion carried 3 to 1.

NORTHERN WAYNE CO AMBULANCE SERVICE DISTRICT

Motion made by Darrell Dishman and seconded by Dale Vaughn to appoint Mary Lou Brown to the Northern Wayne Co. Ambulance Service District Board. All voted in favor.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE AMENDING FY 08 BUDGET

First Reading of Ordinance No. 220.123 Budget Amendment 07-08 #03. No action was taken. See attached copy.

Motion made by Darrell Dishman and seconded by Richard Munsey to approve a Resolution of the County of Wayne, Ky Authorizing the County Judge Executive to enter into a lease/purchase with Monticello Banking Co. for a 2008 Deere 670D Motor Grader, to execute any documents which are deemed necessary to facilitate this lease/purchase and to act as the authorized representative for this project. All voted in favor. See attached copy.

SINKING PRECINCT

Motion made by Dale Vaughn and seconded by Darrell Dishman to approve the purchase of land from Dallas and Wilma Casada for the Sinking Precinct. All voted in favor.

MAGISTRATES COMMENTS

District 1- Mr. Danny Bell stated he would like to change Bartonville Rd to Lot 21 Road. Mr. Tobbe stated that 60% of landowners have to agree and they would need to sign a petition before next month's meeting. Mr. Bell questioned the \$75000.00 that the park should receive. Mr. Rankin stated he had spoken with GOLD and the money was there and the park should be receiving the monies.

District 2- Motion made by Darrell Dishman and seconded by Richard Munsey to advertise .3 mile of Piercy Cemetary Rd. All voted in favor. Viewers appointed were Tim Bell, Darrell Dishman, Danny Kinnett and Dale Vaughn.

District 3- Mr. Dale Vaughn addressed the court concerning a plan to eliminate Wayne County from all gravel roads within the next 3 years by either blacktopping or using chip n seal, whichever surface is best suited for the road and feasible. Mr. Vaughn stated that although it is important that we continue to work through our state officials to receive as much blacktop money as possible he feels like we must have other options. Begging the state for money is not a blacktop plan that we can count on every year. Mr. Vaughn stated most of our neighboring counties have very few gravel roads if any. Pulaski County borrowed over a million dollars to eliminate their remaining gravel roads a couple of years ago and one their magistrates had told him they had used chip n seal. He also stated that the court should immediately cease taking gravel roads into the county road system for the remainder of this fiscal year. During this time period the fiscal court should review and revise if necessary the guidelines for accepting roads into the county system. The point for this is that the court cannot expect to eliminate the county's gravel road expenses if the court continues to accept gravel roads into the road system. He stated he believed that the court should consider an aggressive chip is seal road surface plan in order to accomplish the goal of eliminating county gravel roads. His reasons were as follows: 1. Blacktop cost approximately \$50,000.00 per mile compared to chip n seal cost approximately \$10,000.00 per mile. The court could resurface 5 times as much with chip n seal. 2. The county spends thousands of dollars each year to maintain the gravel roads. 3. Gravel is only a very short term and temporary solution. 4. People who live on these gravel roads are tired of eating dust. 5. A better road surface will better the living conditions and help to increase the property value. In conclusion Mr. Vaughn stated some people will say that chip n seal is not any good but he beg to differ on that point and so will the people in the county who live on gravel roads. Many of these people have told him that they would gladly take chip n seal or blacktop on their roads because either one would be better than eating dust or not being able to keep their homes or vehicles clean because of the dust and mud. Secondly chip n seal surfaces tend to hold up quite well for the first few years as long as there are not a lot of heavy vehicles on it. The chip n seal roads that we have that are currently in poor condition are generally the ones

that haven't been resurfaced in many years. Third the money the state sends down for blacktop has to be spent on blacktop so he believes from this point on the state blacktop money should be used to resurface existing blacktop and chip n seal roads that are in poor condition. Fourth the Fiscal Court should use any money that we possibly can from the road budget to chip in seal as many roads as possible. Fifth after the goal is reached of eliminating the gravel roads the county will be able to take the money that had been being spent on gravel and go back and use it to blacktop all the chip n seal roads in the county.

District 4-Mr. Munsey stated he agreed with Mr. Vaughn, but he was concerned about needing a blacktop machine and more men. He suggested that the county road foreman Danny Kinnett should check into the equipment and prices that they would need.

Judge Executive- Mr. Rankin gave a sample of some savings and improvements over the past year and they are as follows-1. reduced payroll tax by \$140,000.00 2. Saved over \$200,000.00 on gravel through the road department. 3. Reduced maintenance costs on equipment in Sheriff's department and Road Department 4. Saved \$3,900.00 by purchasing vehicle through litter abatement money 5. Saved \$5547.61 by using grant funding to pay some salaries 6. Saved thousands of dollars by using inmates for match on grants instead of paid employees. 7. Saved over \$300.00 in last six months on gas for solid waste. 8. Saved money by turning down the thermostat in courthouse by just a few degrees. 8. The cooling tower (part of heating and cooling system) at judicial center uses a lot of water, but it burns much of it off. Now we use a meter on the tower so we don't pay a sewer bill for water that doesn't enter the sewer. 9. Renegotiate contract on a copier to save over \$300.00 per year. 10. Saved \$6,000.00 per year with contract for white goods plus monies received for metal 11. Allowed employees who have health insurance with someone other than county's provider to opt out of coverage. Previously, the county was paying premiums for employees even though they had coverage somewhere else.

These amounts of savings were \$17,000 per year. 12. Renegotiated contract for billing service at EMS to save over \$8,000.00 per year. Judge Rankin stated that the court was constantly looking for ways to improve county government and that is something they had started on the first day of last year. He stated nothing happens overnight, but he believes that over the past year we have made great improvements to the services provided by county government. Not only are we improving services, but we are providing many of those services for less cost than before. He stated he wanted every taxpayer to know that the court is doing everything they can do to make county government operate as efficiently as possible and spend money wisely.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The Detention Center Report was presented to the court. See attached copy. Motion was made by Darrell Dishman and seconded by Danny Bell to approve the hiring of Edith Ball to replace Diann Lee as a temporary full time position. All voted in favor.

Motion made by Richard Munsey and second by Darrell Dishman to approve the Wayne County Jail Evacuation/Relocation Plan. All voted in favor. See attached copy.

Solid Waste Coordinator, Tim Bell gave the solid waste report. See attached copy.

Sherwin Corder gave the EMS report. See attached copy.

The Animal Control Monthly Report was presented to the court members. See attached copy.

The Treasurer's Monthly and Quarterly Financial Report was presented to the court members. See attached copies.

The Airport Board Monthly Report was presented to the court members. See attached copy.

ROAD WORK

Road work was presented to the court. See attached copies.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No reports from the personnel and buildings and grounds committees.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion made by Danny Bell and seconded by Dale Vaughn to approve the payment of bills. All voted in favor. See attached copy.

Motion made by Danny Bell and seconded by Richard Munsey to adjourn.

WAYNE COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE GREG RANKIN

FISCAL COURT CLERK